

## Higher energy consumption in the first half of 2013

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Consumption of oil, natural gas and coal rose by 4.4%, 2.5% and 35.3% respectively. The large increase in coal consumption should be seen in the context of a general increase in energy consumption, a fall in production from wind turbines, less favourable wind conditions and net exports of electricity. The increase in coal consumption in the first half of 2013 roughly corresponds with the fall in the first half of 2012, when Denmark was a net importer of electricity. In the first half of 2013, coal consumption was therefore slightly lower than in the first half of 2011.

An increase in biomass consumption in the transformation sector in 2013 has contributed to keeping total consumption of renewable energy high. Consumption of renewable energy increased by 2.9% in the first half of 2013 compared to the same period the previous year.

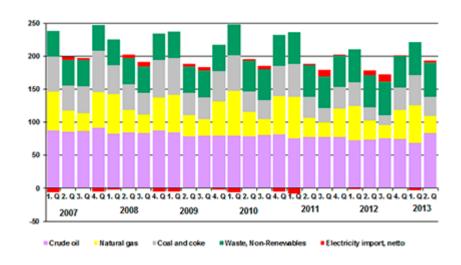
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Primary energy production was 14.9% lower in the first half of 2013 than in the first half of 2012. Production of crude oil and natural gas fell by 10.9% and 32.3% respectively.

## Energy production and consumption 1. Quarter and 2. Quarter 2012 and 2013:

Unit TJProductionConsumptionObservedAdjusted for net imports of electricity1. - 2. Quarter 2013 364.454 411.498 409.9951. - 2. Ouarter 2012 428.047 387.533 396.989 1. Ouarter 2013 220.808 212.6981. Quarter 2012 214.698 189.209 208.914 207.580 2. Quarter 2013 175.245 190.691 197.2982. Quarter 2012 213.350 178.619 189.408

Figure 2: Observed energy consumption in Denmark, PJ



Source: Monthly Energy Statistics

## **Monthly Energy Statistics**

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